

- 1) Calculate the standoff distance for the magnetopause for the conditions encountered during shocks, or periods of high speed solar wind:
 $v = 8 \times 10^5 \text{ m/s}$, $n = 25 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^{-3}$

$$\left(\frac{r}{R_\oplus} \right)_s = \left(\frac{4 B_{os}^2}{2\mu_o n m v^2} \right)^{1/6} = \left(\frac{4 \times (3 \times 10^{-5})^2}{(8\pi \times 10^{-7})(2.5 \times 10^7)(1.67 \times 10^{-27})(8 \times 10^5)^2} \right)^{1/6} = 6.1$$

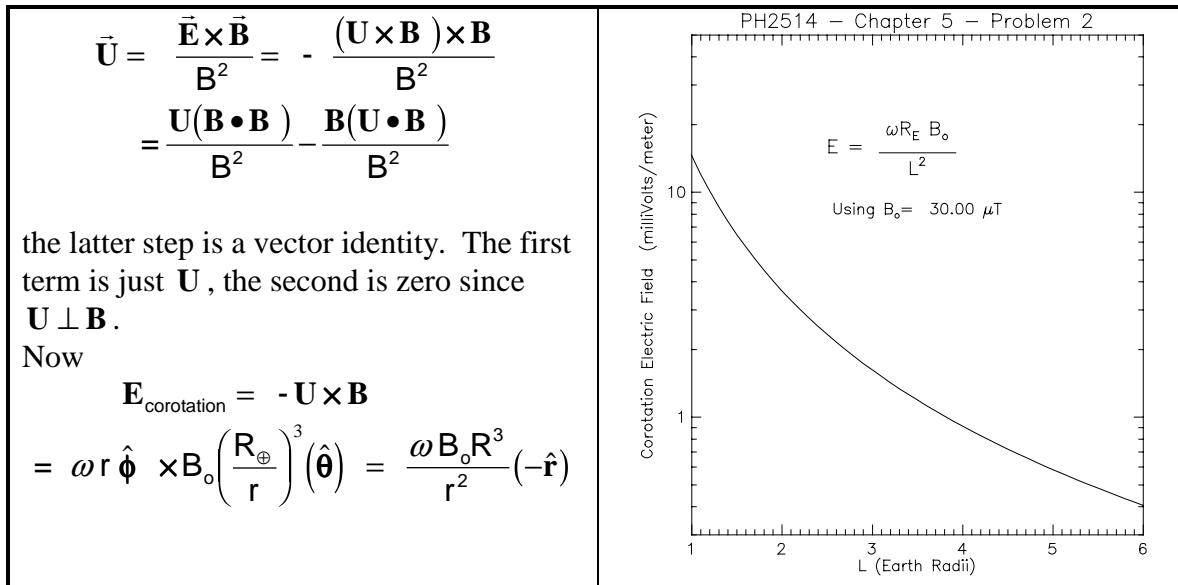
- 2) What is the co-rotation electric field? In cylindrical coordinates we have:

$$\vec{U} = \omega r \hat{\phi}, \quad \mathbf{B} = B_o \left(\frac{R_\oplus}{r} \right)^3 (-\hat{\theta}),$$

where U is the streaming, or drift velocity.

The frozen-in-field condition gives: $\mathbf{E} = -\mathbf{U} \times \mathbf{B}$

This velocity will solve the drift relation: $\vec{U} = \frac{\vec{E} \times \vec{B}}{B^2}$. The proof is given here:



- 3) Calculate the invariant latitudes corresponding to $L = 4$ and $L = 6.6$

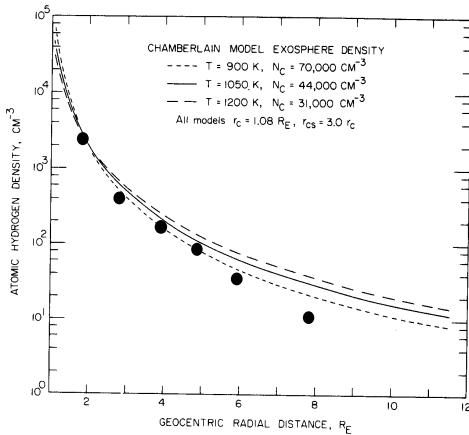
$$\cos \Lambda_c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L}};$$

$$L = \left. \frac{4}{6.6} \right\} \quad \left. \cos \Lambda_c = \frac{0.5}{0.39} \right\} \quad \left. \Lambda_c = \begin{cases} 60^\circ \\ 67^\circ \end{cases} \right\}$$

$$4) n(cm^{-3}) = 100 \left(\frac{4.5}{L} \right)^4$$

L	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
n	2563	506	160	66	31.6	17.1	10.0	6.25	4.10

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Exospheric hydrogen density versus radial distance for the Chamberlain models of Figure 5. The model at temperature $T = 1050$ K provides the best fit to the DE 1 geocoronal observations.

5. Solve the problem at the magnetic equator: $\lambda_m = 0^\circ$

$$\vec{v}_D = \frac{K_\perp}{qB} \frac{\vec{B} \times \nabla B}{B^2} ; \quad \nabla B = -\frac{3}{r} \frac{B_{os}}{r^3} \hat{r} (\lambda=0) = -\frac{3}{r} B \hat{r} ; \quad \frac{\vec{B} \times \nabla B}{B^2} \Big|_{\lambda=0} = -\frac{3}{r} \hat{\theta} \times \hat{r} = -\frac{3}{r} \hat{\phi}$$

$$\vec{v}_D = -\frac{3}{r} \frac{K_\perp}{qB} \hat{\phi}$$

$$|v_D| = \frac{3 K_\perp}{r qB} = \frac{3}{LR_\oplus} \left(\frac{K_\perp}{q} \right) \frac{1}{q} \frac{1}{B} . \quad \text{Here, the term } \frac{K_\perp}{q} \text{ can be taken as the energy in eV}$$

$$|v_D| = \frac{3 K_\perp}{r qB} = \frac{3}{LR_\oplus} \left(\frac{K_\perp}{q} \right) \frac{L^3}{B_o} = \frac{3 L^2}{R_\oplus B_o} \left(\frac{K_\perp}{q} \right)$$

$$R_\oplus = 6.37 \times 10^6 \text{ m}, \quad B_o = 3 \times 10^{-5} \text{ T}, \quad L=3, \quad \frac{K_\perp}{q} = 10^6 \text{ eV}$$

$$|v_D| = \frac{3 \bullet 3^2}{6.37 \times 10^6 \bullet 3 \times 10^{-5}} 10^6 = \frac{9}{6.37} \times 10^5 = 1.41 \times 10^5 \text{ m/s}$$

Compare this to the thermal velocity for a proton..

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{2E}{m}} = \sqrt{\frac{3.2 \times 10^{-13}}{1.67 \times 10^{-27}}} = 1.38 \times 10^7 \dots \text{ much larger than the drift speed}$$

- 6) Estimate the density for ring current ions at L = 3.

we have from the problem statement...

$$\text{flux} = 3 \times 10^{11} \frac{\text{ions}}{\text{m}^2 \text{s}} = nv. \text{ From above, we have a thermal velocity of}$$

$$v = 1.38 \times 10^7 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}. \text{ Dividing out gives } n = 2.2 \times 10^4 \frac{\text{ions}}{\text{m}^3}$$

about 6 orders of magnitude down from the background, 0.5 eV, plasmasphere ions, or even the 0.1 eV neutral hydrogen.

- 7) Estimate the ring current which must result from the above density, and drift velocity.

$$\text{flux} = nv = 2.2 \times 10^4 \frac{\text{ions}}{\text{m}^3} \bullet 1.41 \times 10^5 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} = 3.1 \times 10^9 \frac{\text{ions}}{\text{m}^2 \text{s}}$$

$$\text{current density} = qnv = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \bullet 3.1 \times 10^9 \frac{\text{ions}}{\text{m}^2 \text{s}} = 4.9 \times 10^{-10} \frac{\text{Amperes}}{\text{m}^2}$$

$$I = JA = 4.9 \times 10^{-10} \bullet (6.37 \times 10^6)^2 = 2 \times 10^4 \text{ Amperes}$$

Compare this to the current necessary to produce a 100 nT change in B, assuming a current loop. From Halliday and Resnick (page 863)

$$B = \frac{\mu_o i}{2R} = 2\pi \times 10^{-7} \frac{2 \times 10^4}{3 \cdot 6.37 \times 10^6} = 6.6 \times 10^{-10} \text{ Tesla} = 0.6 \text{ nano-Tesla}$$

8) $\oint \mathbf{E} \bullet d\mathbf{l} = - \frac{d\Phi_B}{dt}$

$$E \bullet 2\pi r = -\pi r^2 \frac{dB}{dt} \Rightarrow E = -\frac{r}{2} \frac{dB}{dt} = -\frac{20 \times 10^6}{2} \frac{10^{-7}}{100 \text{ to } 1000}$$

$$= -10^{-3} \text{ to } 10^{-2} \text{ Volts/meter}$$

If this field extends all the way around (10^8 m), the total potential around the earth is 0.1 to 1 million volts

9) We have two equations to consider, from chapters 4 and 5 respectively

$$B = B_0 R_\oplus^3 \frac{\sqrt{1+3\sin^2 \lambda}}{r^3} = \frac{B_0 \sqrt{1+3\sin^2 \lambda}}{(r/R_\oplus)^3} \quad (\text{eqn 4.5})$$

$$B = \frac{B_{os}}{L^3} \frac{\sqrt{4 - 3 \cos^2 \lambda_m}}{\cos^6 \lambda_m} \quad (\text{eqn 5.21})$$

The latter is the one to use....Take: $B_{os} = 3.0 \times 10^{-5}$, although it will factor out...

$L = 5, \lambda = 0, 45$

$$B = \frac{3.0 \times 10^{-5}}{5^3} \frac{\sqrt{4 - 3 \cos^2 \lambda_m}}{\cos^6 \lambda_m} = 2.4 \times 10^{-7} \frac{\sqrt{4 - 3 \cos^2 \lambda_m}}{\cos^6 \lambda_m}$$

$$B = 2.4 \times 10^{-7} \begin{cases} 1 & \lambda_m = 0 \\ \frac{\sqrt{4 - 3 \cdot 0.5}}{0.5^3} & \lambda_m = 45 \end{cases} = 2.4 \times 10^{-7} \begin{cases} 1.00 & \lambda_m = 0 \\ 12.65 & \lambda_m = 45 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} 2.4 \times 10^{-7} & \lambda_m = 0 \\ 30.4 \times 10^{-7} & \lambda_m = 45 \end{cases}$$

The mirror formula is

$$\frac{\sin^2(\alpha)}{B} = \frac{\sin^2(\alpha_m)}{B_m} \Rightarrow \frac{\sin^2(\alpha_{critical})}{B} = \frac{\sin^2(90)}{B_m} \Rightarrow \sin^2(\alpha_{critical}) = \frac{B}{B_m} = \frac{1}{12.65}$$

$$\sin(\alpha_{critical}) = \frac{1}{3.56} \Rightarrow \alpha_{critical} = 16.33^\circ$$

particles with pitch angles larger than this will mirror before reaching 45degrees magnetic latitude.

11. Calculate the energies for which the corotation electric field induced drift velocity

$\vec{U} = \omega r \hat{\phi}$, equals the ∇B drift velocity, for protons at $L = 3$, and $L = 6.6$. For simplicity, work in the equatorial plane, and look only at the grad-B drift.

$$\text{Start with: } |\vec{v}_D| = \frac{3 K_\perp}{r q B} = |\vec{U}_{corotation}| = \omega r$$

$$\frac{3 K_\perp}{r q B} = \omega r \Rightarrow K_\perp = \omega r \cdot \frac{r q B}{3 L} = q \frac{\omega r^2}{3} B$$

$$\begin{aligned} K_\perp &= q \frac{\omega r^2}{3} B = q \frac{\omega r^2}{3} \frac{B_{os}}{L^3} = q \frac{\omega (L \cdot R_E)^2}{3} \frac{B_{os}}{L^3} = q \frac{\omega R_E^2}{3} \frac{B_{os}}{L} \\ &= q \frac{2\pi \cdot 3.1 \times 10^{-5} \cdot (6.38 \times 10^6)^2}{3 \cdot 86400} \frac{1}{L} = q \frac{7.93 \times 10^9}{259200} = q \cdot 30600 \end{aligned}$$

$$K_\perp (eV) = \frac{K_\perp (\text{Joules})}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}} = \frac{1}{L} \cdot 30600$$

so - 10.2 keV at $L = 3$, 4.6 keV at $L = 6.6$